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IN A GARRET.

BY ELIZABETH A. ALLEN.

Within its drowsy shades are treasures rare dust and dreams; the years are long since last A stranger, s footfall pressed the creaking stair,

his room no tidy housewife, a hand disturbs ; And here, like some strange presence, ever clings homesick smell of dry, forgotten herbs-

Here stores of withered roots and leaves repose, For fancied virtues prized in days of yore lathered with thoughtful care, may hap by those Whose earthly ills are healed for evermore,

here shy Arachne winds her endless thread, And weaves her stiken tapestry unseen, feiling the rough hawn timbers overhead, And looping gassamar festoons between.

Along the low joists of the sloping roof Moth-eaten garments hang, a gloomy row, Like tall, fantastic ghosts, which stand alouf, Holding grim converse with the long ago.

Here lie remembrances of childish joys-Old fairy stories, conned and conned again ; deraile and a heap of battered toys, Beleved by babes who now are bearded men.

Here in the summer, at a broken pane The yellow wasps come in and ouz and build Among the rafters; wind and snow and rain All enter, as the seasons are fulfilled.

This mildewed chest behind the chimney holds Old letters, stained and nibbled; faintly show The faded phrases on the tattered folds Once kissed, perhaps, or tear-wet-who may

I turn a page like one who plans a crime, And lo, love's prophecies and sweet regrets-A trees of chestnut hair-a love-torn rhyme And fragrant dust which once was violets.

I wonder if the small, sleek mouse, that shaped His winter nest between these ragged beams, Was happier that his bed was lined and draped With the bright warp and woof of youthful ber of the daily :

Here, where the grey, incessant spiders spin, Shrouding frem view the sunny world outside, A golden bumble-bee has blundered in, And lost the way to liberty, and died.

So the lost present drops into the past; to the warm living heart, that loves the light Paints in the unresponsive darkness vast Which hides Time's buried mysteries from sight.

Why rob these shadows of their sacred trust ? Let the weird cobwebs hide the day ence mere Leave the dead yearsito silence and to dust, And close again the long unopened door.

Singular Coincidents.

It is a singular but not the less true remark in a late work that Jefferson was born just eight Jeats after his predecessor, Adams; Madison eight years after jefferson; Monroe eight years after Madison; and John Quiney Adams eight years after Monroe. Another carious fact to be observed is, that Adams was just 66 years old when he retired; Jefferson was 66; Madison was 66; Monroe was 66; and John Quincy Adams, had he been elected to a second term, would have been 68. Adams, Jefferson and Monroe, all died on the ith of July.

About Diamonds.

The following letter to the editer of the Winer, written at Drum Barracks, California, should be of some interest to prospectors in Arizona, as it is known that diamonds exist in this Territory :

"You speak of 'diamonds' in a late issue and want some information about them. judge it not at all unlikely that some have been found in Arizona, and would advise those engaged in mining to keep a sharp look out for precious stones, Diamonds are always found in alluvial soil. In South America and Russia they are discovered in the debris of kind of alluvial quartz (laminated) containing iron; and in India in a conglomerate of quartz. They are likely to abound in just such rocks as abound in Arizona, and which yield the best gold of her wonderful mines. There is only one crystal for which diamonds are apt to be mistaken, and those are quarts crystals. Quarts crystalizes in long, six-sided prisms, with a six-sided pyramid generally at one end only, though sometimes at both. They are exsily broken and exhibit no particular clenvage. tie, career of an Italian Marquis who has Diamonds, on the contrary, do not occur in long prisms, or very rarely, but take the form of two four-sided pyramids, joined together at their bases, (making an eight-sided figure.) There is also this peculiarity : The faces of the diamond are frequently curved, so that the rough gem looks rather round or spherical. Quartz e ystals are never so. The diamond is also very difficult to fracture. If a crystal supposed to be a diamond flies in pieces by a smart blow of a hammer, you needn't get gold ring set in it-it is probably quartz. The scratching of glass is no test, as quariz scratches glass as well as diamond. Heat is a good common test; you can put a diamond in any ordinary fire, and though it is only charcoal, (carbon), it will not burn, but a quarts crystal will crack, if the fire is hot enough. It is a a mistake to suppose that all diamonds are coloriess, some are red, some blue, some yelr low, etc. Another test for diamond is, if rubbed on the coal stove it will become electric, and attract small bits of paper. Quartz will not I need not speak of the brilliancy of diamonds when polished; but, unpolished, quartz often looks better than rough diamonds. It is possible that in the alluvial washings of Arizona diamonds may be found and washed out of the

And now, friend Marion, if you find a good one, just send it to me, and I will thank you

Arlzona Affairs.

Without the boundaries of our Territory the people of Arizona have no stronger advocate of their interests and no more willing exponent of their neglected condision, than our enterprising contemporary of San Diego -the Union. We clip the following from a late num-

The intelligence daily received from Arizona shows that Indian affairs in that unhappy Territory are growing continually worse. It is safe to say that at no time since the American occupation of the country, have the Apaches held more complete and unobstructed sway. their murders and depredations are no longer confined to those sections supposed to be their particular haunts, but are extended to the hisherto namolested portions of the Territory lying between Fort Yuma and Maricops. Wells. Indeed, at the present time, throughout the "Gadsden Purchase," (embracing the Territos ries of Arizoua and New Mexico) and in Northwestern Sonora, these bloodthirsty savages are engaged in murder, rapine and devastation. The list of murders and robberies published in yesterday's Union speaks for itself,

What is government doing at this juncture? positively worse than nothing; for it is reducing the already small force in the Indian coun-

As we had occasion to say some weeks

Apache question in short order. We believe Naples as Dictator amidst the elemerous votitoo, that the War Department fully understands the question and is inclined to do the royalist took sides with the king, was taken right thing in this crisis. The trouble is with prisoner and liberated as a beggar. The rethe mistaken philanthropists of the East, who mainder is easily recounted. He came to have not the most remote conception of the America, betaking himself to the occupation Apache character, and who exercise a bane- of an itinerant tinker, traveling from New ful influence upon the Administration. The ef- York to Los Angeles on foot where he can be fect of their policy is terrible on this far West seen in our midst, mending in pots and border; and these men who are pleading for kettles. soft measures with the Apaches are guilty of the blood of the murdered pioneers of Arizona and New Mexico. It cannot be possible that the Administration can much longer maintain its present position on the Indian question in Arizona in the face of the terrible evidence that is continually thrilling the whole country with horror. A change must come seoner or later. May it come speedily-for every day's delay costs a human life.

The Lot of a Real Marquis.

The Los Angeles Evening Express gives the fellowing remarkable, if not quite remanworked his way into the plebeian ranks and become a tinker :

The old saying that truth is stranger than fiction, was never more fully verified than in the present instance. Giacomo Gruigi Adelverto Montretalo, fourth son of the late Marquis of Corabono, the descendant of an ancient and princely race, first saw the light of day in the venerable palace of Bordoto de Corobono, (a domain on which abenificient na ture had lavished all her gifts, was that of of Bordoto.) The early years of his life were rassed in the college of San Giovani at Rome, it being the intention of the late Marquis to procure for his son an education that would make him the equal in point of learning, of Italy's most learned literati. While in college his studies, for which he was eminently fitted consisted of ethics, philosophy, political economy, geography, classics, machiavalo, and all the higher branches of literature, and so rapidly drained he the pirean fount, that on his nineteenth birth day he received at the hands of the venerable maestro Giuseppi Verdelomo, the grand Sondolfo medal of merit, o the order of San Pietro. And on leaving the Holy City received as a mark of special favor the Pontifical benediction. His next fourteen years were spent at the home of his youth, roaming the giddy cliffs of his native mountains; hunting the chamois, visiting different parts of the kingdom, and occasionally going to Maples on visits of courtesy to his king, of whom he was a loyal subject. During his last visit, his majesty selected for him s wife in the person of the princess Margaretta Brisco di Strady, a maiden of surpassing love-

Two months from the day of his marriage, and while en route to the paternal palace of the Corobono's, and while anticipating but hours of bliss more lasting than ephemeral, in the society of his lovely partner, the wild cry of the ruffianly followers of Pietro Dardalloto as the farmers can secure the crop now penetrated the carasso, another moment had elapsed and Giacomo was unconscious. When he recovered consciousness, his head was being bathed by Captain Corporette, of the King's dragoons, but newhere was visible her who of water for irrigating purposes at hand. but two moons previously had become the all possible haste was made, the defiles penetrated, but to no avail. Seven days subse... quently brought forth the sequel. The lady's head was sent enclosed to the Carobono palace with the accompanying note;

GIACOMO DI COROBONO :- Yeu led the Kings troops in search of me. My intention was to secure you and not your wife, but the near approach of dragoons defeated the accomplishment of my wish s. Your father, once, without cause, struck me. Revenge.

PIETRO DANDALLOTO.

From that moment Giacomo became a sorbacked up by government, would settle the subsequent to the tragedy Garibaldi entered

feration of a freed nation. Giacome being a

Arizona Mail Facilities.

From the L. A. Star.

On Friday last, the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco held a special meeting, at which a petition was presented by certain merchants in San Francisco, praying for nereased mail facilities for Arizona, by the way of San Bernardino, in California, and Wickenberg and Prescott, Arizona. The petitioners justly represent the increased population of Central Arizona during the past two years, the great development of its mineral and agricultural rasources, and the urgent necessity for increased mail facilities, to keep up with the progress of the Territory. A mail line will soon be in fall operation between Albuquerque and Prescott, which will bring Central Arizona in direct communication with Eastern cities. This will lead to commercial intercourse, and the extensive trade now carried on between San Francisco and Arizona may be turned to the other side. It is important, then that every facility be furnished for increasing communication and extending commerce between California and our neighbors in the adjusting Terri-

The petitioners request that the present mair facilities be increased to a semi-weekly service, and that the schedule time for carrying the mail be reduced from eight to four days. And they base their very reasonable request

"Your petitioners also represent that the population of Central Arizona has nearly doubled in the past two years; that the farmers now raise, from the land cultivated in that section, nearly all the grain required by Government for the use of the army cavalry and for local consumption; that the rich mining interests are being rapidly developed; that the ores from the Vulture mine are worked by a forty-stamp mill, crushing about sixtyfive tons per day, and yielding yearly over half a million dollars in bullion , that the Big Bug mill is now in successful operation, working the ores from the Eugenia lode, and paying well; that the new placer mines lately discovered will furnish employment to a large number of miners, and that the recent discovery of very rich silver over in the Bradshaw District will soon bring large numbers of miners to that locality,

Within the past year about three hundred farmers have located lands for ranches on Salt River, and in the month of January last about seventy locations were registered in the Land Office at Presscott, and as soon planted, there will be about three hundred more entries made in that Land Office; this branch of industry will be greatly increased this year, as the lands are rich, and plenty

We are advised upon authority we deem confiding partner of his bosom. Search with reliable, that the most matter now sent through this route averages fully five hundred pounds per week, and that the increased travel cannot now be accommodated by one stage per week.

> A tender youth who was slighted by the femalesgenerally, very modestly asked a young lady if he might spend the evening with her. "No," she replied angrily, "that's what you

may not do." "Why," he replied, "you needn't be so fussy; I dida't mean this evening, but some stormy one, when I can't go anywhere else." since, we believe that Stoneman, if properly rowing and an altered man. Tow months He was remarkably successful ever after-